Mr. M. N. Parameśvaran Pillai: I am not speaking about the dieting of sepoys but of the inpatients in the Hospital attached to the Military.

Mr. James Simpson: The same dieting is given there.

Chairman: The motion before the house is that a sum of Rs. 19,500 be granted for the Medical Department.

The motion was put to vote and carried.

The grant was made.

PUBLIC HEALTH.

Dr. M. K. Gopala Pillai: Sir, I beg to move for a grant not exceeding Rs. 15,230 for the purchase of chemicals, etc., for the Public Health Laboratory. The Public Health Laboratory was organised in 1109. This required also the equipment of the Laboratory on modern lines. Approximately an amount of Rs. 20,000 was estimated and this was distributed in the Budget of 1109 and 1110. For the amount of Rs. 10,000 as per 1109 Budget, orders were placed by the Government with Messrs. Baird & Tatlock in London and for the remaining amount of Rs 10,000 orders were placed with some other firms through the Durbar Physician. The stipulation was that the articles should be supplied before the end of 1109 but the company failed to do so. Though the articles were supplied in 1110, it took some time to reconcile the discrepancies and by the time arrangements were made with the Account Office for the payment of the bills, the year 1110 came to a close and the amount lapsed. From this it will be seen that the amounts provided in the Budgets of 1109 and 1110 lapsed as the company failed to supply the articles in time. This year they were able to supply all the articles and the bills which are now pending have to be paid without delay.

Mr. M. N. Parameśvaran Pillai: May I know why the amount was not included in this year's budget?

Dr. M. K. Gopala Pillai: An amount of only Rs. 8,000 was provided in this year's budget. At the time of preparing the budget it was thought that the company would send in their bills for Rs. 10,000 which was provided in 1110 budget but it was only during the last week of Karkadakam that the bills were received and before arrangements were made with the Account Office to pay the amount the year closed and the sum lapsed.

Mr. M. N. Parameśvaran Pillai: May I know whether the articles have been purchased by the Department?

Dr. M. K. Gopala Pillai: These articles were indented for by the Government.

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Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: Are these articles purchased by Government?

Dr. M. K. Gopala Pillai: Yes.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know when?

Dr. M. K. Gopala Pillai: Orders were placed in 1109, but the articles were received only in 1935 *i. e.* 1110, and by the time the bills were checked and discrepancies cleared the year lapsed.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: Were all the articles received by the Government?

Dr. M. K. Gopala Pillai: Yes.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: If that is so, may I know why this supplementary grant should be made? Government could have certified the amount under Section 32.

Dr. M. K. Gopala Pillai: Some of the articles are being received and we have a grant of Rs. 8,000 in this year's budget. Out of this Rs. 8,000, Rs. 2,000 have already been spent for the routine expenditure of the laboratory and so there remains only a sum of Rs. 6,000. The amount according to their bills comes to Rs 21,230. We have in this year's budget only Rs. 6,000, so the balance of Rs. 15,230 has to be provided for.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether any experiments or researches are conducted in the Laboratory now?

Dr. M. K. Gopala Pillai: Yes, we are undertaking certain experiments.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether the Department has found out the cause of malaria?

Dr. M. K. Gopala Pillai: The cause of malaria was discovered long ago.

I request the House to pass this supplementary grant for Rs. 15,230.

Mr. J. John Kattakayam: ഞാൻ ഈ ഡിമാൻഡിനെ എതിർക്കുന്നു. ലാബോറട്ടറിയിൽ കെമിക്കൽ സാമാനങ്ങൾ വാങ്ങിക്കുന്നതിനാണ് ഈ തുക ആവശ്യപ്പെട്ടന്നത്. എന്നാൽ ഇതു ആവശ്യപ്പെട്ടന്നതിനു, മുൻപു് ധാരാളം സമയമുണ്ടായിരുന്നു. തുക ചെലവാക്കിയതിനുശേഷം ഇവിടെ കൊണ്ടുവരേണ്ട ആവശ്യമില്ല. എപ്പോൾ കൊണ്ടുചെന്നാലും പാസാക്കിത്തരുന്ന ആളുകളാണ് ഇവിടെയിരിക്കുന്നവർ എന്നു ധിക്കാരപരമായ മനഃസ്ഥിതിയുടെ ബാഹ്യപ്രകടനമാണിതു്. പല ഡിമാൻഡുകളെയും ഞാൻ എതിർത്തു. അതൊക്കെ പാസ്സായി.

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[Mr. J. John Kattakayam,]

ഇതിനെയും ഞാൻ എതിർക്കുന്നു: എന്നാൽ ഈ സഭയോടുള്ള ഒരു അനാദരവായിട്ടാണ് ഞാൻ ഇതിനെ കരുതുന്നതു. മേലാലെങ്കിലും ഈ ദുശമായ ഡിമാൻറുകൾ വരാതിരിക്കുവാൻ ഈ വശത്തിരിക്കുന്നവർ ശ്രമിച്ചാൽ കൊള്ളാം.

Mr. M. Govindan: ധിക്കാരമെന്നു പറഞ്ഞതു് സഭ്യമാണോ?

Mr. J. John Kattakayam: ധാരാളം ആകാം. ഞാൻ ധിക്കാരമെന്നു പറഞ്ഞതു് അതിരുകവിഞ്ഞ പ്രവർത്തിയെന്നാണ്. അതുകൊണ്ടു് മേലാൽ ഇങ്ങിനെയുള്ള സംഗതികൾ ശ്രദ്ധിച്ചു പ്രവർത്തിക്കണം. ഞാൻ മുൻപു പറഞ്ഞതുപോലെ ക്രൂടെക്രൂടെ സപ്ലിമെൻറിഗ്രാൻറു കൊണ്ടുവരാതിരിക്കുവാൻ ശ്രമിക്കേണ്ടതു് അത്യാവശ്യമായ ഒരു കാര്യമാണ്.

Dr. M. K. Gopala Pillai: ധിക്കാരമായിട്ടല്ലാ, ബഹുമാനസൂചകമായിട്ടാണു കൊണ്ടുവന്നിട്ടുള്ളതു്.

Mr. J. John Kattakayam: സംഖ്യ ചെലവു ചെയ്തുകഴിഞ്ഞശേഷമല്ലേ ഇവിടെ കൊണ്ടുവന്നതു്?

The motion was put to vote and carried. The grant was made.

SCIENTIFIC AND MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENTS.

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: Sir, I move for a grant not exceeding Rs. 3,150 under Scientific and Miscellaneous Departments. This consists of two items. One is a very paltry sum of Rs. 150 for the purchase of furniture for the office of the Government Photographer and Mechanic. The photographer applied for the purchase of a couple of almirahs which he wanted very urgently. It so happened that there were a number of spare almirahs in the office of the Curator for the Publication of Oriental Manuscripts.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether in regard to the furniture that is supplied to the various offices any stock register is maintained by Government and whether it is examined by anybody?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: In each office there is a stock register of furniture and it is checked by the head of the office periodically.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether the furniture supplied to any office is all kept in the office itself or whether any furniture meant for the office is being used in the residence of the officer?

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